

## PRESIDENT M'KINLEY FIRM FOR FREE CUBA.

**Has Not and Will Not Change His Message or His Plans in Regard to Cuba.**

**SPAIN MUST ACCEDE EVERYTHING ASKED OR FIGHT.**

**Feeling in Madrid Growing More Bitter Toward This Country, and Enthusiasm Spreading Rapidly in Spain.**

**AMERICANS LEAVING HAVANA.**

**Lee Cabled That 300 Have Left There in Safety.**

**HAVANA IS PEACEFUL TODAY.**

**Though the Bitter Feeling Existing There May Cause Riots at Almost Any Time.**

**THE QUEEN TAKES A HAND.**

**Will Try to Make Terms of Peace With the United States, But Will Doubtless Fail.**

**WHERE THE FLYING SQUADRON WILL GO.**

Washington April 7.—Representatives of several of the foreign powers called on the president today and endeavored to bring pressure on him to avert the war. They were told that the case was closed and would not be reopened; that his message was completed and sealed and could not be changed.

The Queen of Spain is trying her best to get the Queen of England to mediate and thus prevent war. This may possibly reopen negotiations, but it is hardly thought so.

Republicans in congress are criticizing the president sharply for the delay, but he cannot be moved.

Reports from Havana say that all is quiet there today.

The senate adjourned until Monday, which shows that there will be no precipitate action until that day, when the president's message will go in. The feeling in congress today is firmer than ever for a war policy.

Madrid, April 7.—Guards have been trebled about Minister Woodford's legation. The Spanish war minister says that war is inevitable. Minister Woodford's family has departed for France. Woodford is awaiting his passports. Everything looks squally, but many Spaniards still say peace will prevail.

Washington, April 7.—The situation in this city is unchanged. The fact that President McKinley has delayed his message does not prove that he has changed his mind. The president told all the public men who saw him this morning that nothing would change his message or his plans.

He has held up his message solely on account of advice from Consul-General Lee. When all Americans who desire to go are safely away from Havana, the message will be sent to congress.

It is not believed today that the message will go to congress before Monday.

Consul-General Lee cabled today that 300 Americans had left Havana in safety and that the others were going as rapidly as possible.

Everything is quiet in Havana today.

The Spanish talk of an armistice, in the form of a rumor that the queen will issue a proclamation declaring an armistice in Cuba, is not expected to have any effect on the president's attitude.

The Spanish papers are very bitter towards the United States.

Nothing can change his plans but the complete concession by Spain to

all his demands, and this is not expected.

According to cable advices the excitement in Havana is growing, and the war enthusiasm is spreading rapidly throughout Spain.

**OUR FLEET AT HONG KONG.**

London, April 7.—A dispatch from Hong Kong reports that the United States fleet is preparing to go to sea. Coal and supplies are being put aboard the ships in large quantities.

The fleet is composed of the cruisers Olympia, Boston and Raleigh and the gunboats Petrel and Concord.

The steamer Nanshan has been purchased by the United States and will be used as a store ship.

**LEO IS VERY ANGRY.**

Spain Has Placed the Papacy in a False Position.

Rome, April 7.—The Vatican magazines are very angry at Spain's conduct. It appears that the Pope charged Archbishop Ireland to speak semi-officially to President McKinley in the interests of peace, and the Archbishop replied that he had taken the initial steps. The Pope then notified the Spanish government of his action and, despite this, the dispatches from Madrid announced that President McKinley had sought the Pope's mediation. This untruth has placed the Pope in a false position and damaged Spain's interests. The Vatican is not now disposed to renew its efforts at mediation.

**FLYING SQUADRON.**

Commodore Schley Will Make a Dash for the Canary Islands.

And Thus Will Spain Be Dealt a Body Blow at the Beginning of the Fight.

Washington, April 6.—The plan of action for the naval forces in event of hostilities is now practically completed as a result of several weeks constant work on the part of the officers to whom was intrusted this important feature of the war preparations.

While these plans are naturally most closely guarded, it may be stated on high authority that one feature of them contemplates a dash by the flying squadron under Commodore Schley to the Canary Islands. This proposition is as yet tentative, as all projects subject to unforeseen conditions must be, but has received most careful consideration by the naval authorities.

As outlined by a high naval official the plan is that in event of a declaration of war the Flying Squadron, as it is now composed, or possibly with the addition of a few more ships, will immediately start for the east with the Canaries as its destination. Naval officials do not think that it would be a difficult task for so powerful a fleet to establish a station at that point, and operating from it as a base, harass the coast of Spain. From that point the squadron would not only be placed advantageously to intercept Spanish merchantmen, but would be in a position, should circumstances demand or warrant so desperate a venture, to attack a seaport.

It was also pointed out by this official that to seize and hold the Canary Islands would be a severe blow to Spain, inasmuch as the islands lie between the Cape Verde Islands and Spain, and in direct line with the route to Cuba. Should such a plan be put in operation the American fleet in Cuban waters would be composed of the present squadron at Tortugas and such additional vessels as could be spared from the protection of the coast further up. While there would, of course, said the officer, be a certain amount of danger in removing the flying squadron so far from home, it was felt that circumstances might arise which would justify the dash to the Canary Islands, hence the plan was among those considered by the department.

The public should not forget the charity ball to be given in the Campbell building on April 15th by the Plasterer's union, the proceeds of which will be expended for the relief of those in distress. There will be good music and a nice time. Admission 50c. Young ladies will call on the public with tickets in a few days.

W. L. VINT,  
J. W. HEDGES,  
Committee.

**Water Notice.**

Patrons of the Water Co. are reminded that their rents expired March 31. Those desiring to renew this quarter's rent should do so before it is forgotten, as all premises not paid for on or before April 10 will be shut off.

**Oak Stove Wood.**

One horse load for 50 cents; two horse load for \$1. delivered. Phone 242. T. C. SEAMON, 15m30

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though of course, not as yet finally decided upon.

**THE QUEEN TO THE RESCUE.**

The following if true is most important.

Madrid, April 6, via Bayonne, France.—The developments in the situation today are confined to the important part the Queen Regent is taking in the crisis. She has practically taken matters out of the hands of her ministers and is dealing direct with the United States minister, Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, through the German and Austrian ambassadors, and is working earnestly for peace.

It is known beyond doubt that Spain is now prepared to give all America has asked, although the form of this concession must be gilded to suit Spanish palates and must take into consideration the political difficulties which confront Spain.

**TWO MORE CRUISERS.**

Washington, April 7.—Two of the ships purchased by the navy department from the Morgan line steamers will be sent to the navy yard and two of them to the Norfolk navy yard. At the navy yards such changes as are necessary to convert them into cruisers will be made, and the armament, which will consist mainly of five inch guns, will be installed. In two or three weeks the officials believe the ships can be prepared for active service.

**LEE URGED DELAY.**

The Message Held Back to Allow Americans Safe Passage.

Washington, D. C., April 7.—The gravest apprehension prevailed for the safety of Americans in Cuba. Consul General Lee advised that the message be delayed until he can get all Americans out of Havana. Gen. Lee said there were signs of an uprising in the Cuban capital. Senator Davis also told the senate in executive session that at noon yesterday the President received a cablegram from Consul General Lee saying: "Two thousand Americans still in Havana and Cuba. Spanish volunteers in full control, armed and very threatening. The first news from Washington that President has sent message hostile to Spain will be signal for uprising."

**BUYS MORE TORPEDO BOATS.**

London, April 7.—A special dispatch from Rome, published yesterday says contracts were signed during the day for the sale of the three torpedo boats to the United States, for the sale of the armored cruiser Giuseppe Garibaldi to Spain and for the sale of the armored cruiser Varese to the Argentine Republic.

**MEETING WILL CLOSE TONIGHT.**

Tonight will close the protracted meeting at the First Christian church. Mr. Spencer preached a powerful sermon last night and was listened to with rapt attention by a large audience. One addition last night. Services tonight at 7:45.

**RAILROAD NORES.**

Assistant Supt. L. A. Washington and family, of the Evansville division, are in the city visiting Mrs. Given, on West Broadway.

Illinois Central stock is quoted at \$99 per share to employees for April. This is a decrease of \$4 in one month.

**THE MARKET.**

Reported by the Lacy Grain Co. CHICAGO, ILL., April 7.

Months	Open	High	Low	Close
July wheat...	81.6	81.7	83.6	84.7
May corn...	29.5	29.5	29.1	—
May oats...	29.4	29.5	29.2	29.3
May pork...	9.00	9.85	9.7	9.82
May lard...	3.92	5.93	5.5	5.50
May rice...	5.90	5.90	5.10	5.15
May cotton...	5.89	5.98	5.96	5.96

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**C. S. BATE DEAD.**

Populist Chairman Succumbs to a Complication of Troubles.

Mr. Clarence S. Bate, chairman of the populist state central committee and head of one of the oldest Jefferson county families, passed away at the Norton infirmary in Louisville at 12:50 o'clock yesterday morning. He suddenly became ill with a complicated kidney trouble three weeks ago while attending the populist convention in Louisville. Two operations were performed without avail. For two days past his condition had been realized to be hopeless.

Mr. Bate was the son of John Throckmorton Bate, "the last of the old Bates," who died recently, aged eighty-seven years. Clarence Bate was born in Oldham county in 1837. His wife, whose death occurred about three years ago, was Miss Octavia Zantinger, a daughter of Maj. Zantinger, of the United States army.

Mr. Bate was a graduate of Brown University. One of his classmates and personal friends was Mr. John Hay, present minister to England. The Bate residence is at "Woodside," ten miles from the city, on the narrow-gauge railroad. Four children survive—Messrs. Octavia, John T. and Clarence Bate, Jr., and Miss Octavia Bate.

**FOR ROBBERY.**

Tom Ross, a Painter, Arrested This Afternoon on a Serious Charge.

Charged With Going Through Crutchfield's Pockets in Broad Daylight.

Thomas Ross, a well known painter, was arrested this afternoon by Officer Jones on a charge of robbery. He is accused of robbing Tom Crutchfield of some money.

When employees in a harness shop saw the two men, it is alleged Ross had Crutchfield down and was going through his pockets.

Some of the money was dropped, and Ross was seen to pick it up and place it in his own pocket.

Officer Jones was called, and made the arrest. Both men were about half drunk.

**BROOKLYN NOTES.**

Captain John Mozley and wife, of Johnson county, Ill., has been visiting their son, Dr. C. A. Mozley, of our city, the past week.

Robert Russell and son, of Blandville, Ky., are visiting the family of J. L. King this week.

Our city fathers met Tuesday night, and among other things, reduced the salary of the city marshal to \$300 a month for the coming year.

Evangelist G. Lay Wolfe, who held a successful revival here the past winter, has been employed by the Christian church here for the coming year. He began his labors last Sunday, preaching to a crowded house both morning and evening.

O. S. Butler, one of our enterprising merchants, has gone to Columbus, Kansas, to remove his family to this city for their future home.

Excursion to Shawneetown Next Sunday, April 10.

The steamer Dick Fowler will give an excursion next Sunday, leaving at 8 a. m. promptly, and arriving on her return trip at 10 p. m., giving excursionists three hours' time to visit the ruins of the noted little city of Shawneetown, which chronicles one of the most deplorable disasters in the history of this country; \$1 for the round trip, meals and room extra. If you desire to visit the ill-fated city don't fail to be on board at 8 a. m. promptly, if you do you are left. For tickets apply on board, or to W. F. Lambdin, Agt., 100 Broadway, 2

## DR. C. N. THOMAS IN HIS GREAT

## LECTURE ON CUBA

**Y. M. C. A. HALL**  
**TOMORROW NIGHT!**

**FORCEFUL! ELOQUENT! THRILLING!**

**ONLY THIRTY LIVES LOST.**

**The Reports of the Disaster That Overwhelmed Shawneetown Have Been Greatly Exaggerated.**

**SUPPLIES SENT FROM PADUCAH.**

The Mayor Sends a Generous Contribution—The Sufferers Are Well Provided For.

**NO BODIES HAVE YET BEEN RECOVERED.**

Major Lang today received a communication from the mayor of Shawneetown, enumerating the things of which the people are mostly in need. The mayor of the submerged city received Mayor Lang's telegram, and sent his reply by Capt. Gilbert, on the steamer John S. Hopkins. The people needed light worse than anything else.

The city sent up on the Hopkins this morning five barrels of sugar, several barrels of coal oil, lanterns, candles, 300 pounds of bacon, and a few other things. The donation amounted to something near \$300, and accompanying it was a request to call on Paducah at any time anything else is needed.

Capt. Gilbert reports that the wheat boat at Shawneetown is packed with bread and other things sent in during the excitement, and which has adequately supplied the demand. He also reports that not a body has been recovered, and that the dead will number not over thirty or forty.

Submarine divers went to work today, according to reports, to find the bodies. The reports from alleged staff correspondents have been flagrantly exaggerated in many instances, especially as to the finding of the dead, not a single corpse having been found up to the time the boat left this morning.

A special dispatch from Evansville, this afternoon says that out of three hundred flood refugees there, one hundred were given transportation to Louisville, Nashville, Paducah and Owensboro, where they have friends or relatives.

The Citizens Savings bank brought suit this afternoon in the circuit court against the Paducah Baseball association for \$146.31 due on a note.

The petition states that the association has no property subject to levy, and was recognized with \$2,500 in shares. It prays judgment against the individuals who compose the association.

**BASEBALL ASSOCIATION.**

**EVANSVILLE MOURNS.**

Venerable Mother of Mayor Aiken Dies—Stores Closed.

Evansville, April 7.—Mrs. William Aiken, the venerable mother of Mayor Aiken, of the city, died last night. The city is in mourning, and nearly all the stores are closed in respect to the dead.

**NOW A FACTORY HAND.**

Anderson, Ind., April 7.—D. J. Mackay, the ex-millionsaire railroad king, has gone to work as a factory employe in this city. He found employment with the Anderson Paper Co., and has been given a position in the office.

**FOR SALE.**

A good horse, 7 years old, and light wagon and harness. Inquire at this office.

In the Chicago city elections the Democrats were generally successful, electing four out of the six town tickets and returning a democratic majority to the council.

**HANDINE**

For Chapped Hands and Face, Use

**WINSTEAD'S HANDINE**

There is nothing to equal it. Sold by all first-class druggists.

**NEW SHOE STYLES!**

**FOR EASTER AND SPRING WEAR**

The feet can and should be elegantly and stylishly dressed. We are showing beautiful and durable footwear for the coming season. Ladies', men's and children's shoes and slippers, latest shades and newest styles, black, tan and vesting tops, at prices lower than usually charged for same quality.

**GEO. ROCK & SON**

**A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT!**

Mothers of Boys, we want a word with you:

To tell you of the great opportunities we are offering you to fit your boys out with Easter Suits at a very small cost to yourselves. We are showing the greatest line of boys' knee pants suits ever shown in Paducah, at prices ranging from \$1.25 to \$8.00.

**OUR STRICTLY ALL-WOOL SUITS AT \$2.50**

Are well made and perfect fitting. We have a large variety of patterns to select from. We guarantee them equal to the \$5.00 suits sold elsewhere.

**Baseball Outfit FREE**

We give the boys. With each boy's knee pants suit above \$1.50—consists of hat, belt, cap, belt and mitt. Mothers will please remember that WE add nothing to the cost of the suit for the presents.

**Something New for Boys' Wear**

The "Economy Suspender"

mothers are invited to call and investigate the new idea. We have just received a large line of boys' 25c flannel shirt waists.

**B. WEILLE & SON**

409 BROADWAY 411 BROADWAY

**Dalton Can Please You**

**The Tailor**

Tailor-made suits to order for less money than ready-made ones of same quality. Everybody can wear a tailor-made suit at the prices charged by

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333 BROADWAY

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**WE SELL**

The Vive, Globe, Adlake, American, Diamond, Ray, Zar.

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We instruct you thoroughly. We keep everything necessary to taking pictures.

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LOUISVILLE AND MEMPHIS DIVISION				
NORTH BOUND—				
	No. 24	No. 24	No. 24	No. 24
Lv New Orleans.....	7:40 pm	9:00 am		
Lv Jackson, Tenn.....	8:40 pm	9:40 am		
Lv Memphis.....	7:50 am	8:45 pm		
Lv Jackson, Tenn.....	10:35 am	10:05 pm		
Lv Louisville.....	11:05 am	11:05 pm		
Lv Fulton.....	1:00 pm	11:50 pm	9:00 am	
Ar Paducah.....	2:35 pm	1:15 am	7:50 am	
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Ar Princeton.....	4:24 pm	3:40 am	7:50 am	
Ar Evansville.....	8:45 pm	6:50 am		
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Ar Nashville.....	5:25 pm	3:38 am	10:30 am	
Ar Central City.....	6:11 pm	4:19 am	11:55 am	
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Ar Owensboro.....	9:45 pm	7:09 am	3:15 pm	
Ar Louisville.....	10:45 pm	7:55 am		
Ar Louisville.....	10:45 pm	7:55 am		8:15 pm
SOUTH BOUND—				
	No. 201	No. 203	No. 203	No. 203
Lv Cincinnati.....	3:10 am	5:45 am		
Lv Louisville.....	3:10 am	5:45 am		
Lv Owensboro.....	8:10 am	6:15 pm		
Lv Hopkinsville.....			11:55 pm	6:15 pm
Lv Louisville.....	8:30 am			
Lv Central City.....	11:15 am		11:55 pm	6:30 am
Ar Paducah.....	2:10 pm		2:45 am	11:15 am
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Ar Fulton.....	8:00 am		9:05 am	7:15 am
Ar Memphis.....	Tenn. 6:57 pm			
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Ar Jackson, Miss.....	2:15 am		8:15 am	
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Ar Vicksburg.....	4:05 am		3:20 pm	
Ar Natchez.....	7:45 am		7:45 pm	
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WHAT?  
Ball Bearing  
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The '98 model of the New Densmore is ball bearing in all. See sample with

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For thirty days we will sell for cash anything in the stock at

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Call and see our stock and prices. No other yard in the south has as fine an assortment of the latest styles and designs.

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## ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF MAIL.

Louisville and East.	
ARRIVE P. O.	DEPART P. O.
5:00 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
5:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.	12:30 a.m.
Memphis and South.	
ARRIVE P. O.	DEPART P. O.
5:00 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
5:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.	12:30 a.m.
St. Louis and West.	
ARRIVE P. O.	DEPART P. O.
5:00 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
5:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.	12:30 a.m.
Evansville and Ohio River Points.	
ARRIVE P. O.	DEPART P. O.
5:00 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
5:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.	12:30 a.m.
Benton and N. C. & St. L. South.	
ARRIVE P. O.	DEPART P. O.
5:00 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
5:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m.	12:30 a.m.

## LOCAL MENTION.

### WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

It was reported on the streets today that the remains of two or three Shawanetown victims were brought to the city for interment, but the report was untrue. It started from the fact that some bodies, removed from a cemetery elsewhere, were brought here for re-interment.

### CHURCH MUSICAL TUESDAY.

The entertainment to be given by the ladies of the Tenth-street church next Tuesday evening will be for the benefit of the church. An excellent musical program has been arranged, and a small price of admission will be charged. Everybody invited.

### A CORRECTION.

In Tuesday's issue of your paper appears an article stating that a policy in the Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Kentucky would be void in case of the insured engaging in the military service in time of war. Such is not the case. Please make this correction and oblige.

Yours truly,  
CHAS. EMMERT, Special Agent Mutual Life of Kentucky.

### FISH HEADQUARTERS.

Just received—a fine lot of fresh fish, such as Lobsters, Crabs, Perch, Snappers, Smelts, Shad, Salmon, Florida Mullins, and all other kinds of fish at the French Market, T. D. Harris, 124 S. 2d, street free delivery. Phone 185.

### DEATH AT FLORENCE STATION.

A child of Mr. Dave Miller, aged seven days, died last evening at Florence Station. The burial took place at the Wyatt graveyard.

### REDUCED RATES.

On account of meetings at Hopkinsville to be addressed by Rev. D. T. Moody the Illinois Central railroad will sell tickets to Hopkinsville and return on April 8, at \$3.15; good until April 12 returning.

J. T. DONOVAN, Agent.

### COAL ELEVATOR BEGUN.

Work on the coal elevator and dock at the foot of Ohio street has begun. As stated some time ago, it is to be built by the Paducah Coal and Mining company, and will be a great improvement.

### SWITCHMAN JONES HURT.

Switchman Paul A. Jones, of the Union depot yard, had the forefinger on his right hand painfully mashed while coupling cars yesterday afternoon.

### TO MEET TOMORROW.

The council will meet tomorrow night in called in session to consider the franchise tax, provided Councilman Ezell is able to attend.

### WORK PROGRESSING SLOWLY.

Work on the sewerage is progressing slowly, owing to the late rains and the stage of the river.

We have no competition in \$1.50 and \$2.00 shoes—the best in the world. Geo. Bernhard.

Connoisseurs' delight—Linnwood Cigar.

Awarded

Highest Honors—World's Fair.

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A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder

40 YEARS THE STANDARD

GIVEN THREE YEARS.

Jim Lefel, who stabbed Jailer

Hord at Marion not long since, while

a prisoner in the jail there, has been

given three years in the penitentiary.

Inexpensive lamp globes suitable

for system for sale at McPherson's

Drug store.

## PERSONALS.

Mr. C. H. Bush, of Smithland, was

in the city last night.

T. H. Aubere, of the St. Louis

Globe-Democrat, is in the city.

A. B. Beale and H. G. Keys, of

Murray, were in the city last evening.

Misses Lulu and Georgia Nichols,

of Cairo, are guests of Miss Ethel

Bailey.

Commodore T. K. Simpson, selling

Dominos and Caligraphs, is in the

city again.

Mrs. Amanda Wilhelm has gone to

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his daughter, Mrs. Sam Goodman.

Mrs. Amanda Wilhelm has gone to

Fulton to attend the annual conference

of Woman's Board of Foreign

Missions.

Mr. J. W. Hill, a prominent citizen

## THEY MAY BE SURPRISED.

Democrats Lay Their Plans on

the Idea That Republicans

Want Be in the Race.

A Scheme Said to Be on Hand

to Lay Charles Wheeler on

The Shelf and Put Ollie

James to the Front.

The democratic congressional com-

mittee of the First district met yester-

day afternoon at the city hall and

decided to hold a primary to nomi-

nate a candidate for congress on July

15th.

There were two factions evident in

the committee, one for Mr. Charles

K. Wheeler, of the city, the present

congressman, and one for Hon.

Ollie James, of Marion. Both wanted

an early primary, and both got what

they wanted. The James men, it is

alleged, wanted an early primary be-

cause they thought Mr. Wheeler's

duties in congress would keep him

away during at least a portion of the

campaign. The Wheeler men wanted

an early primary in order to disturb

party equilibrium as little as possible

and hold the hosts together. As

stated, both factions got what they

wanted, and ought to be satisfied.

The qualifications of voters were

made as liberal and wide open as pos-

sible. The democracy is under the

impression that there will be no re-

publican candidate for congress this

year, but that there will be a populist

candidate. The republicans will con-

centrate their strength on the popu-

list, is their opinion, and in order to

keep as many populists and republic-

ans as possible out of the chimerical

combination, they prescribed qualifi-

cations which opens the contest to

any and everybody. It virtually

opens the primary to republicans.

There are perhaps a great many lit-

tle things of which the rank and

file of the democratic party are not

aware. There seems to be on foot a

gigantic scheme to put Wheeler on

the shelf and nominate James for the

sake of political aggrandizement of

certain men in the state election next

year.

The Mayfield politicians are said

to be for James, but the people of

Graves are said to be overwhelm-

ingly for Wheeler. Mr. Gus G.

Coulter, one of the Graves county

politicians, will be a candidate for

state auditor next year. It is al-

leged that the politicians of Graves,

who imagine that they can manipu-

late the politics of the First district,

are willing to sacrifice Wheeler and

Stone in order to nominate James,

and thus secure the instructions of

the counties above the river for

state auditor. They are practically

sure of the other counties, and desire

to clinch the ones above the river.

These Graves county politicians

have the credit of having run Henry

George off the track in the last con-

gressional campaign, in order to elect

Wheeler. Now they want to sacrifice

Wheeler to elect James, and with

the support of his forces, land a nomi-

nation for one of their number next

year.

There is a hot old time promised

in the campaign, however, whatever

may be the motives and machinations

of the various parts of the political

machine. The Graves county men,

among others, clamored during the

last campaign for Wheeler's nomi-

nation. They believed in endorsing

a congressman when he kept in line

with his party. Mr. Hendrick had

not kept in line with his party, they

reasoned, but Mr. Wheeler was com-

pletely in touch with it. He ought

to be endorsed two or three times, so

## THREAT ACQUITTED.

The Cutting Seemed to Have Been

Accidental.

Arthur Threat, colored, arrested a

day or two ago for cutting a woman

named Bowman on the land, near

the colored Old Fellows' hall, was

today acquitted in the police court.

The evidence showed that the wo-

man was jealous and went there to

have a little talk with Threat be-

cause he accompanied another girl to

an entertainment. She had a knife in

her hand, and he cut her in snatch-

ing it away.

Annie Copeland, a notorious wo-

man, was fined \$5 and costs for being

drunk and disorderly.

## STILL AT LARGE.

Another Fruitless Search Made for

"Sell" Cochran.

Detective W. A. Wickliffe has re-

turned from a search for Sell Cochran,

the Callaway county murderer who

was reported to have been caught at

Hot Springs a few days ago.

It is understood Mr. Wickliffe

shadowed a postoffice three days wait-

ing for Cochran to show up and call

for a letter from his best girl.

It appears he got wind that some-

thing was up, and skipped.

## FISCAL COURT.

Ballots Being Taken This Af-

ternoon For Road Su-

pervisor.

Very Little Done in Court Today—

School Superintendent's

Salary Raised.

The time for electing a road com-

missioner was changed to 2 o'clock

this afternoon, and all candidates